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6 I'm just an everyday, ordinary citizen,

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- 7 elementary schoolteacher, and quite adamantly opposed
- 8 to the Yucca Mountain repository. I oppose the
- 9 repository itself, just on the basis of the time limit
- 10 that studies say everything is safe for it, I don't
- 11 think is reliable or credible, that it's rather --
- 12 what's the word -- I'm blanking out on the word -- but
- 13 just that we, as humans, think we know more than nature
- 14 to assume that this is going to be safe, when in the
- 15 past many times what man has done has not been safe and
- 16 has created enormous problems. I'm also equally
- 17 opposed to any shipping of the waste, the hazards on
- 18 the roadways, trains, rails, whatever, seem almost
- 19 greater than the repository itself and concern me
- 20 greatly. Once again, it gets back to credibility of
- 21 the United States government and the statistics that
- 22 they choose to relate to the public, well-known fact
- 23 that when they did the above-ground testing here at the
- test site, they told citizens of the area, go out on
- 25 your roof, take a look at it. Quite a sight. And in

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- 1 the interim, many people have died. I have a friend
- 2 who died of downwind cancer at the age of 38, highly
- 3 attributable to being exposed to the downwind drafts.
- 4 So for many reasons, but quite simply, because voicing
- 5 my opinion as opposed.

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